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In re Application of:

Michael S.H. Chu et al.

Serial No.: 09/430,050

Examiner: Amy Y. Lam

Filed: October 29, 1999

Group Art Unit: 3763

For: SPLIT VALVE FOR PEEL-AWAY SHEATH

Docket No.: 1001.1258101

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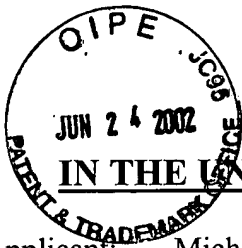
In response to the Final Office Action dated April 17, 2002, please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows:

In the Claims

Please amend claims 1 and 3 as follows:

1. (Once Amended) A valve for a tubular peel-away sheath having a lumen therethrough comprising:

a valve body having a lumen therethrough;



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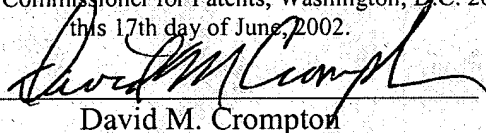
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TOTAL CLAIMS	-	=		X9=	\$	X18=	\$
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